

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Metz

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Group Art Unit: 1624

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Examiner: Ward, Paul V.

For: 2,4-Dioxypyrimidine-based mesoionic pigments

ELECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 121

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 24, 2010, please enter the following election.

The Office states that the Application contains the following inventions or groups of inventions, which are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1. Therefore, the Office has required Applicants to elect a single invention to which the claims must be restricted. The grouping of the claims is as follows:

- I. The compounds, compositions and process according to claim 1-11 of formula II, wherein ring A is A1.
- II. The compounds, compositions and process according to claims 1-11 of formula II, wherein ring A is A2, A3 or A4.
- III. The compounds, compositions and process according to claim 1-11 of formula II, wherein ring A is A5 or A6.
- IV. The compounds, compositions and process according to claims 1-11 of formula II, wherein ring A is A7.

For prosecution in this Application, Applicants elect group I, wherein A is A1, without traverse.

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Respectfully submitted,

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